Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the title as follows:

IMAGE RETRIEVAL SYSTEMPROCESSING TO OBTAIN STATIC IMAGE DATA

FROM VIDEO DATA

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

FIG. 11 is a diagram for explaining a delivery server according to an embodiment of the present invention; invention; and

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 8, with the following rewritten paragraph:

FIG. 12 is a diagram showing a screen display of a registration client according to an embodiment of the present invention.invention;

Please add the following new paragraphs after the paragraph ending on page 5, line 9:

FIG. 13 illustrates a functional block diagram of a system for processing image data according to the disclosure: and

FIG. 14 illustrates a flowchart of one exemplary embodiment of an image retrieval method for video data according to the disclosure.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 23, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The retrieval interface 10 performs retrieval by use of meta-data and voice index data registered in the delivery server 1 in association with individual contents data, and further by use of character strings contained in the material image data 7. It is provided with: a drop-down window part 11 for selecting and inputting categories; a keyword input part 12 for retrieving desired contents data; data (see FIG. 13, element 130); a retrieval button 13 for requesting the delivery server 1 to perform retrieval processing and offer retrieval results,

based on inputs from these parts; a keyword input part 14 for retrieving desired contents data by use of character strings contained in material images; and a retrieval button 15 for commanding the browsing clients 2 themselves to start retrieval processing, based on the input.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 8, line 19, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The contents interfaces 20 are provided with a start button 28 and a detail button 29. When a user presses the start button 28, relevant contents video data can be reproduced and displayed on the screen (see FIG. 13, element 160) of the browsing clients 2 after being obtained from the delivery server 1. When the user presses the detail button 29, as described later, data of slide images and material images of relevant contents can be displayed on the screen of the browsing clients 2 after being collectively obtained from the delivery server 1.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 8, line 27, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In this way, in the case where the video data 5 and all static image data associated with it are provided to the browsing clients 2, when the user specifies the slide images 27 and material images 30 (as shown in FIG. 4) that are displayed, by a pointing operation, video data is reproduced from corresponding scenes (that is, reproduction time positions) and displayed on the screen. This function is provided for the browsing clients 2.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Contents stored in association with material screen data can be subjected to keyword retrieval (see FIG. 14, element 230) based on character strings (see FIG. 14, element 240) contained in relevant material images, images (see FIG. 14, element 220), and the contents

interface 20 as shown in FIG. 4 is displayed (see FIG. 14, element 280) as a result of the retrieval.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 10, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The contents interface 20 is almost the same as those in FIG. 3. By matching character strings (see FIG. 14, element 250) contained in the material images 30 with an input keyword, a list of relevant material images 30 is displayed, displayed (see FIG. 14, element 260), and when the user specifies the displayed material images 30 by a pointing operation, contents video data is reproduced synchronously from corresponding scenes and displayed (see FIG. 14, element 280) on the screen. This function is also provided for the browsing clients 2.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 22, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The sizes of display images may be changed (see FIG. 13, element 150) according to the magnitude of changes in scene contents, author's intention, or the importance of scenes.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 25, with the following rewritten paragraph:

FIG. 7 shows a list image display of the material image data 7 wherein various items of meta-data of relevant contents are displayed in a record data display part 42, and all time-series material images 30 associated with the video data of the relevant contents, and descriptive character strings 30a extracted from each of the material images 30 such as "product introduction..." contained in relevant images are displayed in a material image display part 43 as images. The character strings 30a are made of text data extracted (see FIG. 13, element 110) from the material image data 7 by character recognition processing and

the like as required, and are matched (see FIG. 14, element 250) when the material images 30 are retrieved by keyword as described above.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 8, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The record display part 42 of the list display screen is provided with a keyword input part 44, and a retrieval button 45 for starting retrieval of character strings 30a by an input keyword. (see FIG. 13, element 120). This interface also allows keyword retrieval of material images-images (see FIG. 13, element 130). Specifically, when the user inputs a desired keyword to the keyword input part 44 and presses the retrieval button 45, a retrieval function provided for the browsing clients 2 is started, a material image 30 containing an input keyword character string in the character strings 30a is retrieved, and a retrieval result is displayed as shown in FIG. 4.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

A list of material images to be displayed may be changed in display size (see FIG. 13, element 150) as shown in FIGS. 8 and 9. The size change may be made by a change function of the browsing clients 2 upon a detail display request, for example, by appending information based on a reference value to the material images. The size change may be made by a change function of the delivery server 1 instead of the browsing clients 2. Furthermore, instead of making the size change upon a detail display request, the size change may be made according to size change data prepared in advance.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

As shown in FIG. 10,FIGS, 10A-C, some material images 30 are added with images of arrow 78 and comment 79 additionally prepared. As shown in FIGS, 10A to 10C in order,

images of arrow 78 and comment 79 are sequentially added to a material image 30 and displayed in the course of the reproduction of video data.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 10, with the following rewritten paragraph:

As shown in FIG. 9, a material image (a) having such additional images 78 and 79 (as shown in FIGS. 10A-C) may be displayed in a larger size than material images (b and c) having no additional images to visually show that it is important information having been specially referenced in a videoed lecture.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 14, with the following rewritten paragraph:

As shown in FIGS. 6 to 9, for displayed slide images and material images 30, when the user selects any of them by a pointing operation, the video player 35 (as shown in FIG. 5) is displayed on the screen, and video data 5 (as shown in FIGS. 2A and 2B) is reproduced for screen display from time positions with which data 6 and 7 (as shown in FIGS. 2A and 2B) of the selected slide image and material image are associated. The browsing clients 2 (as shown in FIG. 1) have this function. By this function, from slide images and material images, video data can be located and reproduced.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 24, with the following rewritten paragraph:

As shown in FIG. 11FIGS. 11A-B, a disposition server 1 is provided with a database 50 storing and managing records of disposed and registered contents, and disposition destination sets 51 storing the entities of contents data.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 19, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Contents data is disposed and registered in the disposition destination sets 51 by a contents creation teel-60-tool 60(3) possessed by the registration client 3 according to operator operations.